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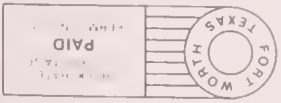

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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I have just returned from attending the 98th American Numismatic Association convention in Pittsburgh, PA. Time does not permit me to write a regular column so I will furnish some potpourri

First, let me say that we have lost the equivalent of several persons within the TNA family. Who are they? Actually they are faceless and they are also without names. They are the pounds and pounds of flesh shed by our governor of District 2, Charles Green from Midland and my good friends Joyce and Ralph Rider of San Angelo. I also dropped a few pounds during my recent hospital stay but I was topped by our lovely Darl Stone of Odessa that also was serious about trimming off the excess. Other TNA family members are also consderably lighter and although TNA as a whole may weigh less, we look and feel much better!

Ralph Rider also received a BU MS-67 hip joint last month and he's getting around well already. Together, he and I now boast at least two and a half good legs between us.

I saw many TNA non dealer members at the ANA convention in Pittsburgh. Among them were our Secretary Chris Johns of Houston who was last seen hot on the trail of wooden money and elongated coins.

Clyde Hubbard of Cuernavaca, Mexico had cornered several elusive Mexican coins but said that he was almost afraid to ask their price. Walt Woelper, our District 10 governor from El Paso, was intently studying the many exhibits, some of which were extremely rich in military history. Our youth chairman, Ralph Ross of Sugarland, was on an upward bound escalator when I saw him. I did recognize some of the exhibits that were entered by our junior members, so I know that Ralph was doing his usual fine work. Our ANA representative, Lyman Bartee of Austin was also enjoying the show. I don't know how many annual conventions Lyman has attended but I don't think that he has missed any for many, many years. He is very loyal to ANA and I admire him for it. I wish that all TNA members were that loyal.

Mary Jane Whyborn, our historian from Seymour, spent her time enjoying the world mint displays and shopping at the ANA Money Museum Store for "T" shirts for all of her grandsons. Our parliamentarian, Bill Murray from San Antonio, was looking very parliamentary as he left the bourse floor on his way to the Numismatic Literary Guild Symposium. I really admire those talented folks who are always eager to attend educational meetings, seminars and symposiums to increase their skills and refine their talents.

HOW I GOT STARTED

Ralph Ross
Sugar Land, Texas

I was sitting at the soda fountain in a small family-owned drug store in Muskegon Heights (my home), a small city in mid-western Michigan. The owner of Patterson's Drugs is Carol Patterson. Carol and her son Darwin are both registered pharmacists, also they employ students as apprentices from the local high school to help out during summer months.

I was sitting at the soda bar and very courteously one of the student workers, Bonita Burns, age 16, was serving me a fruit drink. We began to talk about Mathematics and Chemistry (education and college), then suddenly our discussion led to NUMISMATICS.

Bonita gave me a "penny," 1943 Lincoln cent. Bonita said, "It looks different." Owing to a shortage of copper during World War II, the U.S. Government resorted to the use of steel, coated with zinc. I described how 1943 was the only year the U.S. used zinc-coated steel and now (as of 1982) they use copper coated zinc.

I told Bonita I was a numismatist (coin collector) and for a long time had been enjoying the happiness and rewards of finding coins and assembling collections. Bonita asked, "How do I get started?" She mentioned her high school did not have a coin club and she knew of no way of getting the general knowledge necessary to get involved. I began to reminisce how I got started. I recall starting around 4 years old collecting miscellaneous Canadian coins until age 12, then I started a Lincoln cent collection. I remember buying my very first coin in a DRUG store. It was owned by an old man named Van White (or Van 'something'), located on Terrace Street in the old arcade building next to the Muskegon Transit Authority (bus stop).

When I was in college I attended a very small coin show in downtown Muskegon. I met a sandy-haired, jolly-looking old man named Ralph Hinkle. He told me he was a paper money specialist, that he had collected coins for 20 years but they (the coins) had become much too heavy to carry, so for something lighter, he started collecting currency. The Muskegon Coin Club Show was my very first coin show and I was 20 years old.

Ralph Hinkle was a general founder of many numismatic organizations throughout the state including the Paper Money Collectors of Michigan. He wrote several articles in ***The Rag Picker***, and many other paper money publications. He knew HIS currency very well.

When I met Ralph Hinkle at that small bourse in Muskegon I had no concept of the Numismatic World beyond my parents' door. Like Bonita, I asked Ralph "How do I get started?" I was very much interested in collecting coins (scintillation and effervesce) and I wanted to learn as much as possible about coin collecting. Ralph outlined the many clubs, books, journals, magazines, newspapers, conventions, exhibits and people (professional) dedicated precisely to numismatics.

Hinkle, at that time, was presi

dent of the Muskegon Coin Club. He wrote me a letter stating I had a membership in the Muskegon Coin Club and I should attend the monthly meetings. Shortly, I began to attend coin club meetings within an hour's drive from home, Holland Coin Club, Grand Rapids Coin Club, Ludington Coin Club, and others. I knew hundreds of people who shared my hobby interest.

Ralph and I had become very good friends. He would sometimes invite me to his North Muskegon home for soft drinks, while he talked about the history of Muskegon via local bank notes and chartered bank notes. I enjoyed the story about the 'Bank Across the Street.' It was my favorite. He had become a historian as well as a respected knowledgeable currency collector.

RALPH HINKLE was my mentor and per his suggestions I joined the American Numismatic Association and the Michigan State Numismatic Society (ANA & MSNS). There is always that special person or place or thing in your life that you are in debt to for your initial start and perhaps your final success, especially when you ask, "How do I get started?" I owe Ralph a lot of thanks and gratitude for his time and patience. I recall him having problems with his health, and heart surgery was needed. I encouraged him to take it easy and relax with fruit and flowers but Ralph was a feisty old man and always wanted to stay busily active. The last time I saw Ralph Hinkle was at the 93rd ANA convention, Detroit — 1984. Ralph passed on several months later. I know he's at that Big Coin Show in the sky; he has been deeply missed.

Unfortunately for Bonita I now live in Sugar Land, Texas over 1,200 miles from Muskegon, Michigan. I informed her about the Muskegon Coin Club, a very active club with over 140 members and they will welcome her there. I finally signed Bonita up with the coin clubs I am most active with: American Numismatic Association, Texas Numismatic Association, Greater Houston Coin Club, Michigan State Numismatic Society, and, of course, the Muskegon Coin Club.

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We all ultimately benefit from their effort and dedication. That's just a few of the non-dealer members that were in attendance.

TNA member dealers were there in abundance. Far too many to name for fear I would inadvertently omit a name or two and offend one of our supporters. It was good to see them all and I feel good knowing that they have brought new and exciting material back for us. I saw some of it at Green Oaks this week and I know that you will be pleased by their new stock at the next coin show you attend. Please support our member dealers. They are the folks who enable us to continue to enjoy our hobby.

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP A NEW TNA MEMBER IN 1989?

ECONOMIC WAR BETWEEN THE NAPOLEONIC EMPIRE AND GREAT BRITAIN, AN EXPLANATION OF ORIENTAL CHOPMARKS — PART VI

Paul E. Garner, NLG — Dallas, Texas
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What chops are what? During my tours of duty in the Orient with the Air Force, I had occasion to observe the frequency and diversity of chops. My personal observation is the Chinese ideograph generally appeared on chopmarked coins seen in Japan, China, Korea, Hong Kong and northern Thailand. The coins from Thailand, Vietnam, India, Burma and northern Malaysia also had small Sanscrit or Indian chops. Malaysia and Indonesia also are known to have chops in Arabic characters. Thailand is known for putting chops on some 8 reales which authorized their circulation there. These chops were generally a dynasty mark and a small (less than inch) chakra or Buddhist wheel. There is evidence to indicate that a larger 8-spoked wheel of approximately 3/8th inch in diameter also circulated in Ceylon but since this mark also seems to be identified with the bale mark of a tea merchant, it may be that this mark was placed on 8 reales for sport. This type of the 8-spoked wheel is rare.

There is one relatively common short-weight coin that also needs to be discussed here. Frequently lumped together with the Birmingham fakes, it deserves a place in history all of its own. This is the genuine piastre that has been hollowed out and the resulting cavity filled with lead or clay. This type of fake was usually done in China and some other oriental areas on a small scale, much like the counterfeiting of 5-cent pieces in this country. A merchant would hire a person to sit with a small drill and hollow out the coin. The amount of silver that was obtained was minute, but considering the wage scale, it was economically feasible.

I believe that sufficient evidence has been presented to show that the government of Great Britain, the East India Company, and the merchant class in England, conspired together in an attempt to ruin the economy of Spain, the Spanish Colonies, the United States and China.

It is apparent that this attempt was on a scale heretofore unknown in written history. Whether or not this attempt could have succeeded would make for some very interesting debate. That it did not succeed was not through any lack of trying, but rather that the English sadly underestimated the ability of their targets.

In 1857, the U.S. demonetized all foreign coin circulating in U.S. One of the reasons for this wholesale demonetization was the desire to have a circulating national coinage. According to the records, another was because of the large amounts of light weight and counterfeit foreign coinage in circulation. I suspect, but cannot prove, that a great deal of the counterfeit coinage ultimately came from the private mints of Birmingham. This is logical since our major circulating coin during this period was the half dollar. The interesting Spanish milled dollar took the place of our silver dollar

An interesting sidelight to this is the comparison of the minting of 4 and 8 reales coins with the minting of the half dollar and dollar. It is a well-documented fact that the half dollar circulated in Mexico and Latin America as a 4-real coin. Two real coins circulated here in the U.S. quite freely as quarter dollars. It is almost as if there was a certain amount of collusion between the American mint and those of Latin America. However, I suspect that the truth is much more simple.

It was more sensible to manufacture the coins with the most need, i.e., the 8 reales for international use and the 2 reales and lower for local use. In this country the situation was reversed. Our half dollar was the most commonly used coin, therefore, it was the most manufactured coin. It probably is just coincidence that our economic situation and that of Latin America meshed so well during this period.

What has happened to the largest majority of the counterfeit piastres? Examined from a practical viewpoint, there was no reason to waste good silver no matter how minute the quantity, therefore the coins went into the melting pot to be reclaimed into sycee and taels. The tin coins were, of course, discarded. Today, a genuine counterfeit of the Birmingham mint is very rare. The ones in the first class are much more common than the ones in the second class. Regardless, they are interesting pieces of history representing the extent of the economic warfare that went on between Great Britain and the rest of the world.

There are too many questions still unanswered. Unfortunately, not having access to the Imperial Chinese government archives prevents a definitive answer being applied to the question of whether the chops were official, quasi-official or were the result of a private effort. What is more clearly defined, however, is the link between the Napoleonic Wars and chops. Some of my conclusions are the result of logical reasoning based on knowledge of related events. However, I believe that my basic premise on the link of the Napoleonic Wars to chopmarks is sound and defensible.

Next month, the conclusion of this series and a listing of counterfeit piastres of the Spanish Colonial style between 1778 and 1821.

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It's October, my kids have been back at Aggieland for a month or so, I'm back from a very successful and enjoyable national token show in Omaha, and it's time to buckle down to work on one of the projects I had in mind when I ran for re-election. I am planning the development of a college-level course, "Introduction to Numismatics," with the hope that one or more educational institutions here in Texas can be convinced to offer it as part of a history curriculum or as a continuing education class. Certain colleges in other parts of the country already offer such courses and, when offered, are received enthusiastically by beginning and established numismatists alike.

While I have a tentative course curriculum and am working on lesson plans, I feel that TNA members should have a loud voice in the course content and development. Although I feel the membership would endorse a course of instruction which would educate the general public and might encourage the growth of our hobby, the proposed course content has so far been only my idea of what should be included.

So once more I am asking each of you who might be interested in this project either in working with me to help develop the curriculum and lesson plans or by just providing your encouragement, to send me your comments, suggestions, recommendations and ideas.

Mac Kennady, TNA first vice president, in whose realm education efforts generally reside, has promised me his assistance in this project. *My* motivation for this course is to attract new collectors to the hobby, to provide them initial guidance in beginning their collections and to encourage them to become active TNA members. Ralph Ross is doing a marvelous job working with high school age collectors in Houston but there is a vast untapped audience that we haven't truly addressed in the past, an audience that constitutes a large part of continuing education classes. I feel that retired people and those nearing retirement might find numismatics could offer a stimulating, challenging and educational pastime for their leisure years. Based on my experience retired people have the time, energy and desire to become involved in worthwhile activities. By providing the basics of numismatics we might encourage a cadre of retired collectors who would certainly strengthen our membership and perhaps lend their long years of business acumen to make local coin clubs prosper as well.

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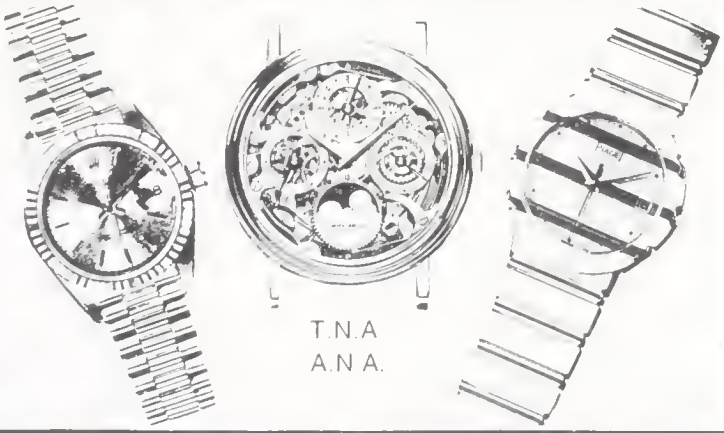

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OCTOBER 28-29

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB, 28th annual coin show, Green Oaks Inn, I-30 & Green Oaks Rd. **CONTACT:** H. W. Luke 817-834-1246.

NOVEMBER 4-5

CRESCENT CITY COIN CLUB, coin show, Sheraton Hotel, N.O. Airport, 2150 Veterans Memorial Blvd., Kenner, La.

NOVEMBER 11-12

NORTH STAR OF TEXAS COIN CLUB, coin show. Exhibit Bldg., Fairgrounds, Paris. **BOURSE:** Bob Holladay, 14 Lamar Ave., Paris 75460, 214-785-9246.

NOVEMBER 18-19

RED RIVER COIN CLUB (Iowa Park), annual coin show, Wichita Falls Activity Center, 10th & Indiana **CONTACT:** Logan Essex, Box 4061, Wichita Falls 76308, 817-692-8332

NOVEMBER 24-26

PASADENA COIN CLUB, coin show, Hobby Airport Hilton, 8181 Airport Blvd., Houston **WRITE:** Box 58155, Houston 77258

RICE DIES IN AUSTIN

Erwin M. Rice, Lt. Colonel, retired, age 89, of Austin, died August 16 in Austin. Services were held August 18 at the Camp Mabry Chapel.

Col. Rice was a charter member of the Texas Numismatic Association, Inc. and Charter Member #1 of the Austin Coin Club. He supported TNA and his home club in all endeavors. He was an active collector of coins, stamps and tokens.

Survivors include two nieces, a nephew, and a great-nephew. Col. Rice's wife, Hazel, died in 1985.

RECOVERING

Eleanor Kennady, past TNA secretary, is now at her home in Austin recovering from major surgery performed in late August. She is reported to be doing nicely.

Notes of cheer can be sent to 2901 Silverleaf Dr., Austin 78757.

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1990
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The following is a listing of events taking place in 1990 as so far reported to the TNA NEWS. ***All are subject to change.***

JANUARY 12-14, Texas Coin Dealers Association (Austin), coin show

JANUARY 25-28, Greater Houston Coin Club, Money Show

FEBRUARY 17, Hidalgo Coin Club (Rio Grande Valley), coin & collectibles show.

FEBRUARY 17-18, Mid-Winter Coin & Stamp Show, Ft. Worth (Joe Wade)

FEBRUARY 23-25, International Coin Club, annual coin show

MARCH 3-4, Gateway Coin Club, San Antonio, coin show

MARCH 24-25, Garland Coin Club, coin show

MARCH 24-25, South Plains Coin Club (Lubbock), coin show

APRIL 20-22, TNA Convention Ft. Worth

MAY 19-20, Corpus Christi Coin Club, coin & collectibles show

JUNE 9-10, Capital City Coin Club (Austin), coin show.

JULY 21-22, North Dallas Coin & Stamp show Richardson (Joe Wade)

AUGUST 18-19, Summer Coin & Stamp Show, Ft. Worth (Joe Wade)

SEPTEMBER 22-13, Austin Coin Club, annual coin show

NOVEMBER 17-18, Red River Coin Club (Iowa Park), coin show at Wichita Falls).

NOVEMBER 23-25, Pasadena Coin Club, coin show.

GOLD BULLION

A gold bullion coin is generally defined as a legal tender coin — either a restrike of an old coin or a newly designed coin — that is minted in unlimited quantities for investors who prefer holding gold bullion in the form of legal tender coins rather than in the form of privately fabricated gold bars or coin like medallions. It is usually issued in convenient troy ounce-related weights. It is bought and sold at prices that include only a small premium over its intrinsic gold value. The bullion coin usually has no collector value.

MEXICO SAND DOLLAR

Sinaloa Mexico pesos are the first coins of the 20th century revolution and are among the crudest pieces ever made. The first issue was made in June, 1913, by General Rafael Buelna at Rosario. The good general could not find anyone expert in die-making so he was forced to use standard government issues as models for his coinage. He then proceeded to use sand molds with horrendous results.

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TEXAS District Meetings

PLEASE NOTE: If your club activities are not listed that means (1) The report was not received by the 1st of the month deadline or (2) The TNA Club representative, reporter or secretary did not send it to the TNA NEWS editor.

DISTRICT 11 —

Charles Green
Governor

A recent meeting of the **Midland Coin Club** featured an ANA slide showing U. S. gold type coins. Shown were the major design types of all denominations of U. S. regular coinage beginning with the very first up through the early 20th century.

The nomination of new officers was discussed and election was to be held in September.

Fourteen items were auctioned including a BU 1922 Peace dollar and an 1894-S Barber half dollar.

— Gayland Stehle, Sec.

DISTRICT V —

Frank Clark
Governor

The history and methods of collecting baseball cards was discussed at the meeting of **Dallas Coin Club** by Tim Lee. Collecting baseball cards has become another popular hobby for collectors. The smaller cards were first sold in cigarette packs. There are no known baseball clubs in Dallas, but shows are held and there are a number of dealers in the area.

Members are working on plans to host the 1992 TNA convention and it was to be presented to the TNA governing board meeting in September in Austin.

Guests were William Anderson, Dennis Hoelzle, Chris & Dori Blaha and Marc Futterman. Anderson and Hoelzle joined the club.

— Barbara de Anda, Sec.

DISTRICT VI —

Carl Fogarty
Governor

New members joining the **Greater Houston Coin Club** include Beulah Guyton, Michael B. Smith, Byron S. Paris, Domenic J. Paino and M. D. Yandell.

Carl Fogarty, club president, told the group of inquiries to the Houston Chronicle newspaper about running a numismatic column written by club members as previously had been done. Alan Perry reminded everyone that it would soon be time to plan the annual picnic.

A. J. Lanier, winner of the door prize at a previous meeting, gave a

presentation on the country of Colombia. — **DoubleShift.**

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Bellaire Coin Club members had to change dates for their first Monday meeting due to the Labor Day holiday and it was reset for Thursday, September 7. No programs had been planned for the month so members looked forward to numismatic discussions, auction and games.

The coin show held in August showed a nice profit, according to treasurer Joe Wells.

— **Newsletter.**

DISTRICT VII —

Frank Galindo
Governor

Delmar Cooke was honored with a Life Membership in the **Alamo Coin Club** of San Antonio in recogntion of his many years serving the club.

New officers were installed by Frank Galindo, TNA District 7 governor, and they are: Harold Eiserloh, president; Jack Lord, 1st vice president; Steve Young, secretary; Richard Pinette, treasurer; and Vincent Grubb, Richard Goodwin, Del Cooke and Galindo, board members.

John Kallman gave a program on previously unidentified mints that produced cash coinage in China. John and his wife, Kathy, are now settling in their new home in Misawa, Japan where he was transferred — **Newsletter**

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Business taking place at the **Gateway Coin Club** meeting in San Antonio included election of new officers and plans for the installation of those new officers.

Welcomed into the club as new members were Veda and Alphonso Perry and Quintin Bendele. Quintin conducted the auction and following that, a swap session was held.

At the next meeting, Richard Goodwin was to present a program on Crown Sized Philippine Pesos.

— **Newsletter.**

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DISTRICT VIII —

Ouida Davis
Governor

The **Corpus Christi Coin Club** reported positive response to their plans to sponsor a Coin & Collectable Show in May 1990 at the Colisium. Several club members have visited various shows in the area such as doll, gun, antique, etc.

Dave Peterson presented a program covering PCGS and NCI certified grading, together with a video of one of the TV trade auctions.

Ouida Davis provided the evening's refreshments and Larry Glen won the door prize. Rick Robertson was voted in as a new member.

— **Bill Bailey, Sec.**

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FT. WORTH IN 1990!

DISTRICT VIII —

E. L. Pitzer
Governor

Sixty members and guests attended the "hot dog" cookout hosted by the **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock. The supper was held at Precinct #1 Clubhouse

E. L. Pitzer gave a report on TNA, and urged members to attend and support upcoming coin shows in the area. Herman Jacob, updated the progress on the club's 1990 coin show March 24-25.

Blayne Bell, junior member, gave a program on U.S. half dimes. Jim Hall and Hanson Ling held the auction and Pitzer won the door prize.

— E. L. Pitzer,
Gov. Dist. 9.

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A silver dollar will be given every other month as a door prize at **Lamb County Coin Club** meetings which are held the 4th Tuesday at Reddy Room in Littlefield.

E. L. Pitzer discussed the upcoming TNA board meeting in Austin and asked members if they had anything they wished to be brought up concerning TNA.

Refreshments were served and a swap meet followed. Door prizes went to Mrs. Hicks and Larry Sanderson.

— E. L. Pitzer,
Gov. Dist. 9.

BE SURE YOU HAVE PAID YOUR 1989 TNA DUES!

DISTRICT X —

Walt Woelper
Governor

The **International Coin Club** of El Paso is announcing plans to host the annual coin show February 23-25, 1990 at the Rodeway Inn, 6201 Gateway Blvd. West.

For other information contact Millard Brown, 915 772-2562. The club's address is P.O. Box 3535, El Paso 79923.

DISTRICT XI —

Although cloudy and cool weather kept some members of the **Golden Spread Coin Club** from attending the annual picnic, the 20 who did attend enjoyed good food, fellowship and games. The annual event was held at Sam Houston Park.

Planned for the regular meeting in September was a program by Jim Jordan and to conduct a bid board. Jordan's topic for discussion was Large Cents — Facts & Trivia.

— Nela Runkle,
Gov. Dist. 11.

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DISTRICT XIII —

Twenty members and friends of the **Greenbelt Coin Club** met at Olney Savings Hospitality Room in Vernon when several business matters were brought to the group by secretary Carl Flores. Connolly O'Brien and Gene Wheeler reported on coin shows they had attended. Robin Robinson conducted the auction.

Refreshments were served before the close of the meeting.

— Carl Flores, Sec.

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Membership has dropped in the **Cotton Country Coin Club** of Rule due to several families moving away and many on vacation. Bill Gann, vice president, conducted the meeting in the absence of Jimmie Collier, president.

Gann also conducted the auction and a 17-question numismatic quiz. Everyone participating was given their choice of a world coin.

— Raymond E. Whyborn, Reporter.

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Loy Studer was awarded a 1921 Morgan dollar as first prize in the Lincoln Memorial cent contest held by the **Seymour Coin Club**. Studer found, in circulation, every cent from 1959 through 1989 including the small date 1960 and 1960-D and all seven varieties of the 1982 cents.

Guests attending were Gregg and Joseph O'Garr of Manville, Rhode Island, Bruce Gann, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Paul Hoge, who joined the club.

Special drawing prizes went to Joseph O'Garr, G. C. Laney, Gene Wheeler, Bruce Gann and Loy Studer. Judy Wheeler furnished the refreshments.

— Raymond E. Whyborn, Reporter.

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The **Red River Coin Club** (Iowa Park) annual coin show is scheduled for November 18-19 at the Wichita Falls Activity Center, 10th & Indiana. Contact Logan Essex, Box 4061, Wichita Falls 76308, 817 692-8332.

DISTRICT XIV —

Helen Snider
Governor

A definite date has been set for the 2nd annual Coin & Collectable Show by members of the **Hidalgo Coin Club** of the Rio Grande Valley. It will be held February 17, 1990, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Ranchero Village, 2100 S. Bridge Ave., Weslaco. Show chairman is Rod Bates, Box 13052, Port Isabel 78578, 512 943-1050.

Members returning from vacations reported on their trips — Ralph Cron reported on his vacation spent in Kansas and Tennessee, and Wayne Chamblin on his trip to Alaska. Robert Prasek discussed the McAllen Baseball Card Show.

The auction was conducted by Rod Bates.

— Helen Snider, Gov. Dist. 14.

ATTENTION!!

IF YOUR CLUB HAS SELECTED A DATE FOR A COIN SHOW OR OTHER EVENT IN 1990, PLEASE NOTIFY THE **TNA NEWS**. THIS INFORMATION ASSISTS OTHER CLUBS in SETTING SHOW DATES AND THE POSSIBILITY OF CONFLICTING WEEKENDS

DISTRICT XV —

Dewey L. Scott
Governor

Tom Arrington gave a talk about the possibilities for coin design changes at the **Silsbee Coin Club** meeting. It was prompted by an article he had read in **The Numismatist** entitled "Our Changing Monetary System" by Thomas McCloud.

He said — What if we made the coin sizes in proportion to their value, do away with the cent, nickel and quarter; only retain the dime, and half dollar but make it the size of a cent; create a new $1 coin the size of a nickel; a new $2.5 coin called a half Eagle (quarter size); and create a new $5 coin called Eagle, the size of the SBA dollar.

— Newsletter.

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Collecting Type Coins was the subject discussed by Bob Jenkins at the **Beaumont Coin Club** meeting. Bob said that coin collecting sometimes gets a bad name when high-priced coin sales are publicized. He reminded the members that collecting coins for type sets need not be expensive and showed his 20th century type set, discussed each coin and its approximate cost.

Bill Stein presented a mini-program on the Capped Bust half dime. The coin was minted from 1829 to 1837 and was designed by William Kneass. It is a small piece, weighing only 1.34 grams and measuring 15 millimeters in diameter. Areas of wear are the curl on the neck, ear and shoulder clasp on the obverse, and the eagle's feathers on the reverse.

Door prize winners were George Thornhill, Kaye Brown, Rex Woodard and Shontel Provost. Sid King led the auction.

— Kaye Brown, Sec.

DISTRICT XVII —

Junior members of the **Waco Coin Club, Inc.** went home after the meeting much happier than when they first arrived. Following the door prize drawing (Unc. copper-nickel Ike dollars) one of the winners noticed that none of the juniors had won and offered his prize to the junior who came the closest to guessing its date. The other lucky members followed the idea and all juniors went home with an addition to their collection.

J. P. Jones read an article by Arlie Slabaugh on the Lafayette commemorative dollar. Dalton Adams will present a numismatic quiz at the next meeting.

Two new members were welcomed — Jack Drake and son, Curtis. Homer Hyde was a visitor.

— J. P. Jones,
Promotions Chairman.

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PHILIPPINE PESO

The Philippine one peso coin is the highest denomination of the only colonial coin series issued by the U.S. government. It was introduced in 1903 and coined until 1912. On the reverse is the U.S. shield surmounted by an eagle and surrounded by the legend "United States of America."

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8. Describe how your club meetings, and coin shows, if you hold any, are publicized.
9. During the past year, did your club or any member, have any special honor bestowed?
10. Describe any efforts your club has made to further and encourage numismatics, and to increase interest in the club.
11. During the past year what has your club done to encourage junior membership and participation in numismatics.
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2 Certificate of Indebtedness issued by the San Antonio Clearing House, March 7, 1933. I have a $10, $5 and $1, all I've heard of ..... each $125.00

3 Borger Daily Herald Scrip, 50¢, $1, $2. Issued to employees, March 4, 1933. Again, only ones I've seen ... each $150

4 Borger Clearing House Association, 50¢ and 25¢, March 7, 1933. Only two known (?). Your pick $150.00

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8 Coupon Books, Texla Lumber Co. Store, Mauriceville, Texas, contains $10, $5, $4, $3, or $2 in coupons ..... each $25.00

9 $15 Coupon Book, Austwell, Texas, Austin-McDowell Co., undated but looks "1900" $35.00

10 Wilson Mercantile Co., Wilson, Texas, undated $5 and $10 coupon book ..... each $35.00

11 Another Booklet, Lawhon & Williamson, Moody, Texas $45.00

12 And the last one. W.H. Acklin, Santa Rita, New Mexico. Ever been to Santa Rita? Imagine what it was in the 1920's when this was used $45.00

13 E & A Fecci, Staple & Fancy Groceries, San Antonio. Card to be punched with each purchase and when fully punched somebody had $5 in merchandise $15.00

14 Sears Roebuck & Co. Exchange Certificate for $5. Accumulate $100 and they were spendable in the Sears catalog. A letter from Sears to an old buddy of mine states the Spring Catalog of 1904 first issued them and stopped in 1907 ..... $25.00

15. First National Bank of Temple, Scrip of 1907 Depression (yeah, about every 20-25 years). $1, $5 and $10. Your choice $65.00

16 Ration Check, April 6, 1945, Transfer at Union National Bank, Houston, 408 ration points transferred from W. T. Carter & Bro. to The Phelan Co. Ever seen one of these? $30.00

17 City Warrant, City of Colorado, Texas, $38, Jan. 11, 1888. How large was the town in 1888 and how close the Indians? Have a couple of these ..... each $25.00

18 Generic Bank Holiday Scrip. No other bank or city has the Texas state capital depicted and the state seal. Fine quality work. One is green, one orange and one brown printing, each marked "Specimen" and "1933" in ink. Somewhere I got the idea these were $10, $20 and $1. I dunno!! ..... each $50.00

19 Boy, I've had these a long time! Railway Passes, MK&T, Trinity & Brazos Valley RR, Denver & Rio Grande, SP, Texas Pacific, Ft. Worth & Denver, KC, Mexico & Orient RR. Expires in the early 1920's. 7 passes $150.00

20 City of Ft. Worth, Warrant signed by the Mayor in 1914 ..... $20.00

21 Similar for County of Ft. Bend, 1908 ..... $20.00

22 Something still more off-the-wall. WW#2 POW Scrip, various denominations and various Camps. Lordsburg, N.M., Mexia, Texas, Alva, Okla., Hearne, Texas, Camp Barkley, Camp Maxey. 23 pieces $150.00

23 Also just found three PW Canteen booklets. $1 on Camp Bowie, $3 on Huntsville and $1 on Camp Maxey ..... each $35.00

24 Last and least. Chits, good at Commissary, Texas Department of Corrections. 5¢, 10¢, 20¢ and 50¢. Four to a page. The lot $25.00

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